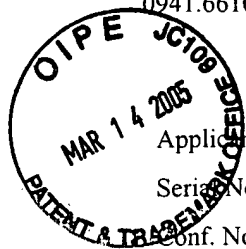


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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



Applicant: Ikeda et al.  
Serial No.: 10/047,139  
Conf. No.: 2175  
Filed: 1/15/2002  
For: TRACKING CONTROL METHOD AND  
STORAGE APPARATUS  
Art Unit: 2655  
Examiner: Ortiz Criado, Jorge L

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above-identified application.

Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

|                                   | As<br>Amended |   | Previously<br>Paid For |   | Present<br>Extra                   | Rate        | Additional<br>Fee |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|---|------------------------|---|------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Total Claims                      | 20            | - | 20                     | = | 0                                  | x \$ 50.00  | = \$ 0            |
| Independent Claims                | 3             | - | 3                      | = | 0                                  | x \$ 200.00 | = \$ 0            |
| Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims |               |   |                        |   |                                    | \$360.00    | = \$ 0            |
|                                   |               |   |                        |   | Total Additional Fee               |             | \$ 0              |
|                                   |               |   |                        |   | Small Entity Fee (reduced by half) |             | \$                |

(X) Amendment A.

(X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.

(X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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